

Joint Committee on Judiciary

Legislative Office Building

Room 2500

Hartford CT 06106

Dear Co-Chair Winfield, Co-Chair Stafstrom, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Blumenthal, Ranking Member Kissel, Ranking Member Fishbein, and all members of the Judiciary Committee:

Know that I absolutely **OPPOSE** Senate Bill 16.

STOP using the term "ghost gun". You are simply trying to scare the public into thinking it's some particularly dangerous firearm that fires "30 bullets within half a second. Thirty, magazine, clip, in half a second," as quoted by California State Senator Kevin DeLeon in a 2014 press conference. They are **HOMEMADE** firearms, a long-standing American tradition. You have already required any **HOMEMADE** firearms to be serialized and have grandfathered in any **HOMEMADE** firearms made before 2019. Now, you want to change your tactics and require those to be registered? Tell me, just how many **HOMEMADE** unserialized firearms were used in crimes? How does that compare with all the other firearms used in crimes? I bet it is extremely small. And of that number of firearm arrests by repeat felons, how many were dropped?

Stop making up more laws. **ENFORCE** the ones you have!

**I OPPOSE Senate Bill 16**

Please also **OPPOSE** H.B.5416

Please **SUPPORT** the following bills: **S.B.388**, **H.B.5415** and **H.B.5412**

Thank you

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